

BRIEF REMARKS

It is respectfully submitted that none of the references, Kanazawa, Ryan, nor Nakayama, either alone or in any proper combination, a method of driving an AC display, wherein a discharge cell to be selected for an ON state corresponds to "said first of said $n \times m$ discharge cells corresponds to said one of said n scan electrodes, a first of said two of said m address electrodes connected to said one of said $m/2$ first connecting points and one of said first group of said plurality of sustain electrodes to which said first voltage is applied,

Furthermore, it is not clear from the record how the Ryan and Nakayama address electrodes could be incorporated into the device driven by the method of Kanazawa since such modification would require a substantial reconstruction or redesign of the method of Kanazawa. More specifically, the substantial reconstruction or redesign would require avoiding an ON state being selected in two adjacent discharge cells. Further, there is no evidence that a person of ordinary skill in the art would be motivated to perform such changes and redesign.

If you need any additional information before our interview scheduled for Tuesday at 2:00P.M. Please call me if you require any additional information.

Thank you,

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